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entitled:

INFORMATION ENCODING APPARATUS AND METHOD, INFORMATION DECODING APPARATUS AND
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The following are enclosed:

- ☒ X Specification (28 pages)
☒ X 13 Sheet(s) of Drawings
☒ X 10 Claim(s) (including 8 independent claim(s))
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Dear Sir:

Enclosed are papers constituting the above patent application which is being filed under 37 C.F.R. 1.53 without a signed Declaration. Please accord a filing date and a serial number to such application and inform the undersigned thereof so that a signed Declaration and the surcharge required by 37 C.F.R. 1.16(e) may be duly filed.

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